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Applicant:

Tyagi et al.

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For:

A SCREENING METHOD FOR DEVELOPING DRUGS AGAINST PATHOGENIC MICROBES HAVING TWO-

COMPONENT SYSTEM

RESPONSE

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In response to the outstanding Final Office Action dated August 29, 2005,

please consider the following amendments and remarks. Applicants request a three

month extension of time up to and including February 28, 2006 and enclose the required

fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3). Applicants also submit herewith payment for

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